BEFORE THE POSTAL RATE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

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MOTION FOR LATE ACCEPTANCE OF RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS SCHENK TO INTERROGATORY OF VAL-PAK DIRECT MARKETING SYSTEMS, INC. AND VAL-PAK DEALERS' ASSOCIATION, INC., REDIRECTED FROM WITNESS HOPE

(VP/USPS-T31-39e-h)

The United States Postal Service hereby moves for late acceptance of the responses of witness Schenk to VP/USPS-T31-39e-h, filed today. These responses were due to be filed December 10 and are therefore one day late. The quantity of items the witness needed to answer yesterday meant that this item was delayed. The Postal Service regrets the delay, but offers that no party has been prejudiced by it.

Respectfully submitted,

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have this day served the foregoing document upon all participants of record in this proceeding in accordance with section 12 of the Rules of Practice.

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